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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOSCH, Ludgate Circus. E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry. R. C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 150 & 152, Leadenhall Street.

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AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOSCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

CHINA.—SWATOW, QUELOH & CAMPBELL, Amoy. WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co., Foochow. HEDER & Co., Shanghai. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Manila. C. HEINRICH & Co., Macao. L. A. DA SILVA.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman.—H. HOPKINS, Esq.
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 3 " " "
" 12 " 4 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

OFFICES OF THE CORPORATION.
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY,

the 4th May, 1877, at Noon.—
Cotton Socks, Stockings, Napkins, Butcher's Knives, Penknives, Tooth Brushes, Eau de Cologne, Lavender Water, Silk Umbrellas.
Also,
White Lead, White Zinc, Black Paint, &c., &c.
The North China PONY "PIMENTO," a Good Hack.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, May 1, 1877. my4

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (if not previously disposed of by Private Contract), on

TUESDAY,

the 8th day of May, 1877, at Noon, at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—
All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND, Situate at Sow-Kei-Wan, and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 123, and abutting on the North side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 31 feet.

On the South and West side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 120 feet.
On the South and East side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 200 feet.

On the North and West side on a Close (where a Plan for a Public Street is laid out) Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 124, measuring thereon 150 feet.

For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, April 24, 1877. my6

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs MELCHERS & Co. to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 19th of May next, at Noon, on the Premises, under a power contained in a Bill of Sale dated the 18th day of December, 1874, given by THOMAS THORNTON ANTHONY, and CARL HEINRICH EIBERT SEIMUND, lately carrying on Business in this Colony, as Shipchangers and Storekeepers, under the Style or Firm of BROADBEAR, ANTHONY & Co.,—
All the STOCK-IN-TRADE, FURNITURE, and EFFECTS being in and upon the Premises No. 62, Praya Central, lately occupied by the said Firm of BROADBEAR, ANTHONY & Co.

Also,
THE GOODWILL of the said Business.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, April 26, 1877. my19

Notices of Firms

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT at Hongkong and its vicinity for "THE BOSTON BOARD OF MARINE UNDERWRITERS," by Power of Attorney, dated Boston, U. S., 1st March, 1877.

T. G. LINSTED.
Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

WE have This Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAI.
Mr CARL KREBS has been admitted a Partner from This Date.

MELCHERS & Co.
Hongkong, April 12, 1877. my12

NOTICE.
MR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT von PUSTAU, Junior, and Mr CONRAD MUNROE DONNER, have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the First of January, 1877.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai.
Hongkong, April 16, 1877. my16

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day CLOSED the HONGKONG BRANCH of my Firm.

F. FEIL.
Hongkong, May 1, 1877. my8

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIPPING BROKER at this Port, under my own name.

W. H. SIEGFRIED.
Hongkong, April 20, 1877. my20

NOTICE.
MR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the BUSINESS of my OFFICE, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.
R. H. CAIRNS,
Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyd's Register of Shipping,
2, Club Chambers,
Hongkong, March 17, 1877. se18

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRUIKSHANK,
Manager.
Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

Intimations.

W. BALL,
CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.
Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.
Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

AH YON,
SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE.

No. 57, Praya West.
SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contribution for the Year ending 31st December, 1876, in order that the distribution of the Net Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st August next, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, May 1, 1877. se1

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FIRST BONUS of Five per Cent. upon Contributions for the Year 1876, will be Payable on MONDAY Next, the 7th Instant.

WARRANTS may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after the 5th Instant.

By Order of the Board,
E. MOORE,
Act. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877. my7

HONGKONG HUMANITY SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above SOCIETY will be Held at the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 7th May, at 6 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee, a Statement of Accounts, and to elect Officers for the ensuing Year.

Members and others taking an interest in the Society are invited to attend.

F. W. BARFF,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my7

NOTICE.
THE OFFICE of the Undersigned is This Day REMOVED, to No. 4, Peddar's Hill.

R. G. ALFORD,
Surveyor, &c.
Hongkong, May 1, 1877. my8

NOTICE.
WE, the Undersigned, beg to inform the Public of Hongkong and Kowloon that the Charter of our Steam-launch CUM SING (plying between Peddar's Wharf and Tsim-sa-choi), by Mr Buxoo, will expire on the 30th Instant, after which date the said Launch will ply on the same route on our own account; having no connection whatever with the late Charterer.

The Fare will be as usual until further notice.

WING KEE & Co.,
Praya Central.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my80

SPANISH CONSULATE.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Captains of Spanish and Foreign Ships starting for the Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico that His Catholic Majesty's Government has again put in Force the 7th Rule of the Royal Decree of the 26th December, 1872, which has recently been revoked.

Consequently Captains and Supercaerges are informed that on their arrival at any of the Ports of the said Islands, they shall deliver to the Officers of the Custom House a Manifest duly certified by the Spanish Consul of the Port of Clearance or Departure, declaring whether the Ship is in ballast or giving a description of the Cargo that is on board.

Any Contravention of the said 7th Rule will be punished with a Fine of (\$500) Five Hundred Dollars, or less, according to the circumstances connected therewith.

A. FARAUO,
Consul for Spain.
Hongkong, April 28, 1877. my6

DENTAL NOTICE.
DR. SPOUT intends visiting JAPAN shortly, and would be glad if those who wish to Consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early Day.

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION:
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.
Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

CONSULAT DE FRANCE A HONGKONG.

MONSIEUR A. SIENKIEWICZ,
Consul de France à Malte, a remis aujourd'hui à Monsieur G. BOULOZE, Chancelier, le Service du Consulat de France à Hongkong et Macao.

TANJONG PAGAR DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED,
SINGAPORE.

THE BUSINESS of this Company was Resumed immediately after the Fire. Vessels will obtain the usual Despatch and Coal Supplies.

E. M. SMITH,
Manager.
April 23, 1877. my23

For Sale.

FOR SALE, AT EAST POINT.

FRESH CALIFORNIA HAY AND OATS,
Just Received, ex "Mary Whitridge."
Apply to
L. L. BUSH.
Hongkong, April 19, 1877.

FOR SALE.
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s
Celebrated
Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.
Apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE.
HENRIOT & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,
Carte Blanche "Dry."
TH. ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Carte Blanche.
JOHN DURAND & Co.'s OLARETS and WHITE WINES.
STUART & KENTIN'S PORTS and SHERRIES.
MOULON & Co.'s COGNACS, 1, 2, 3 Stars.
BLANCHY FRERES & Co.'s COGNACS.
JUSTUS LEMBEKE & Co.
Hongkong, April 9, 1877. my9

FOR SALE.
HENRIOT & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,
Carte Blanche "Dry."
TH. ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Carte Blanche.
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BLANCHY FRERES & Co.'s COGNACS.
JUSTUS LEMBEKE & Co.
Hongkong, April 9, 1877. my9

FOR SALE.
THE IRON SCREW STEAMER
"ALBANY."

THE above Steamer was Built in Glasgow in 1872 by Messrs DORMAN & Co., under special survey of LLOYD'S, and Her MACHINERY and BOILER were made by Messrs JAMES HOWDEN & Co., under special inspection. She was constructed to carry a large Cargo on a light draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general Repairs in 1876, when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled.

DIMENSIONS.—Length between Perpendiculars, 170 feet. Beam, 26 feet 3 inches. Depth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck, 9 feet 5 inches. Height from Main Deck to under side of Awning Deck, 7 feet 4 inches.

GROSS TONNAGE.—550 TONS.

CLASS.—Built to Class 100 A at Lloyd's.

RIG.—Brig Rigged.

CARGO CAPACITY.—About 9,000 piculs, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet).

DRAFT.—Light 9 feet. Loaded 12 feet.

SPEED.—Eight knots on consumption of 8 1/2 to 9 tons of coals per 24 hours.

BUNKER CAPACITY.—75 tons coals.

CABIN.—Under Awning Deck aft; saloon, pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

ENGINE.—A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 30 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 26 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter. Stroke 30 inches.

PROPELLER.—Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades, with One Spare Set of Blades.

WINCH.—One Steam Winch with Donkey Boiler on Deck.

BOILER.—One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11 feet diameter, with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

MORRIS & RAY.
Hongkong, March 20, 1877.

FOR SALE.
A MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power Nominal, High and Low Pressure, with Extra Surface CONDENSER and TUBULAR BOILER. Consumption, 2 Tons per 24 Hours.

The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messrs Matthew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell & Sturges, Manila.

Particulars may be obtained on application to
MORRIS & RAY.
Hongkong, March 20, 1877.

FOR SALE.
A SMALL Invoice of C. BUNNEVILLE & Co.'s "Prince of Wales" BRANDY, in Cases of One Dozen Bottles, One Dozen Glass Bottles, and Two Dozen Flasks.

Apply to
P. B. CAMA,
7, Hollywood Road.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my14

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I. A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS and a HALF.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.
Hongkong, February 2, 1877.

Entertainment.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB OF HONGKONG.

THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give a Performance at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, ON

MONDAY,

May 7th, 1877.

When will be presented a Farcial Comedy in Three Acts, by J. H. BYRON, Esq., ENTITLED

"Not such a Fool as he looks."

Tickets may be obtained from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on and after Monday, April 30th, and at the Doors on the Night of Performance.

Doors Open at 8.30. Performance to Commence at Nine o'Clock punctually.

By kind permission of Colonel DICKINS and the Officers of H. M. 28th Regt., their Band will be in attendance.

CHAS. C. COHEN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, April 26, 1877. my7

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR AMOY & TAMSUI.
The Steamship
"TAIWAN,"
Captain M. YOUNG, will be de-

parted for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 4th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, May 1, 1877. my4

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR HANKOW (DIRECT.)

The Steamer
"BRAEMAR CASTLE"
will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 5th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 1, 1877.

FOR COOKTOWN.
The British Steamer
"JUAN,"
Capt. STOK, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

FOR MANILA.
The Spanish Steamer
"SORSOGON,"
Captain LIZARZA, will have early despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

FOR LONDON.
(If sufficient inducement offers.)
The 100 A 1 British Steamer
"BERTHA,"
S. WINDHAM, Commander, will have quick despatch as above.

The Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877.

FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY.
The French Steamer
"GUNGA,"
Captain GARCEAU, will load here for the above Ports, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
HOP KEE & Co.
Hongkong, April 27, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.
The 4 1 Clipper Ship
"NYASSA,"
GARRICK, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
WM. POSTAU & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 11, 1877.

FOR BATAVIA & SAMARANG.
The British Bark
"MARQUIS OF ARGYLL,"
Captain MCNAB, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
HOP KEE & Co.
Hongkong, April 7, 1877.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MANILA.
The Spanish Bark
"TERESA,"
CREADA, Master, will be de-

spatched for the above Port on or about the 20th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 4 1 American Ship
"THOMAS LORD,"
HALL, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, April 26, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 4 1 American Ship
"NEW ERA,"
SAYER, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, April 27, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 4 1 American Bark
"ALBERT RUSSELL,"
Captain CARVER, will load here and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 4 1 American Bark
"ROSETTA McNEILL,"
BROWN, Master, will load here and will have

To Let.

TO LET.

N^o. 3, PECHU TERRACE, ELGIN STREET, with Immediate Possession.

Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 17, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. Kidd. Bismar Villa, Pok-foo-lum, Furnished.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44, Queen's Road. The Dwelling House and Office No. 1, D'Agular Street at present in the occupation of Messrs. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Possession from the 1st May next.

Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ROSINA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
ROBERTA MCNEIL, American barque, Captain Brown.—Vogel, Hagdorn & Co.
NYASSA, British ship, Captain W. S. Garrick.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
TULOGORUM, British 3-m. schooner, Captain Macdon.—Widder & Co.
NEISON, British steamer, Capt. Thomas Staples.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HARRAH LORD, British ship, Captain R. Grelg.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOIHOW.

THE STEAMSHIP "PENEDO,"
Capt. Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at 9 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEGESSON & Co.
Hongkong, May 2, 1877. my3

FOR YOKOHAMA, HIOGO AND NAGASAKI.

THE STEAMSHIP "ARGENTINO,"
Capt. BARNETT, will leave for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at 4 p.m.
Despatches will close at 3.30 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, May 2, 1877. my3

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "MENZALEH,"
Comdt. PASQUALINI, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA on THURSDAY, the 3rd instant, at Noon.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, May 2, 1877. my3

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "MEIKONG,"
Comdt. PASQUALINI, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on FRIDAY, the 4th instant, at Noon.
H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, May 2, 1877. my4

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.
S. S. MEIKONG.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Euphrate* and *Delta*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 2 o'clock TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriters.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Tuesday, the 8th inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

Hongkong, May 2, 1877. my8

NOTICE.

WE have this Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at Amoy. Mr F. F. ELWELL will act as our AGENT at that Port.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877. je2

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 1, *Luise*, German corvette, 1800, Dittmar, Nagasaki April 25, 403 horse-power, and 6 guns.
May 1, *America*, German ship, 1219, J. J. von Holt, Cardiff Nov. 21, Coal.—Jensen & Co.
May 1, *Wachi*, British steamer, 265, A. Hunter, Haiphong April 23, General.—LANSDOWN & Co.
May 2, *Meikong*, French steamer, 1010, Focelle, Marseilles March 29, via ports of call and Singapore April, and Saigon April 29, Mails and General.—MESSAGIERIES MARITIMES.
May 2, *Pau Tah*, Chinese steamer, from Canton.
May 2, *Curlew*, H. M. gunboat, 774, E. J. Church, Shanghai April 28.
May 2, *Maggie*, H. M. gunboat, 774,

Charles Vernon Anson, Singapore March 23, Labuan April 17, and Manila 26.
May 2, *Puyew*, Chinese steamer, 920, A. Croad, Shanghai April 27, and Swatow May 1, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
May 2, *Taiwan*, British steamer, 408, M. Young, Taiwan April 23, Tamsui 23, Amoy 30, and Swatow May 1, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 2, *Yesso*, for Coast Ports.
2, *Emeralda*, for Amoy.
2, *Chinkiang*, for Shanghai.
2, *Benary*, for Saigon.
2, *Carl*, for Tientsin.

CLEARED.

Cheang Hock Kian, for Swatow.
Sophie, for Takow.
Penedo, for Hoihow.
Pau Tah, for Shanghai.
Ocean, for Hoihow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Meikong*, from Hongkong: from Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Dishaur, Mr and Mrs Hickling and servant, Messrs Gargels, Girard, Gittens, Tatham, Deschamps, Rev. Messengers, Mr and Mrs Hulso, and Mr Mansfield; from Singapore, Mr Caderniga and servant, Messrs Forest and Spungli; from Saigon, Messrs Loiseleur and Janssen, and 13 Chinese. For Shanghai: from Marseilles, Messrs Brand, and Marsh, Mr and Mrs King, Mr and Mrs Ristehuber, Mr and Mrs Ponomareff, and Mr Brunat and servant; from Singapore, Messrs Gillette and Woodhall. For Yokohama: from Marseilles, Messrs Fock, Galopin, and Van Liess; from Ismailia, Mr and Mrs de Barbolani, child and 2 servants.
Per *Puyew*, from Shanghai and Swatow, Mr De Wolf, and 115 Chinese.
Per *Wachi*, from Haiphong, 1 European and 23 Chinese.
Per *Taiwan*, from Coast Ports, 76 Chinese.

DEPART.

Per *Yesso* for Swatow: Mr Kramer, Mr Amoy, Mr Luz, For Foochow: Mr and Mrs Hickling and European-maid servant, Mr and Mrs Harton, Messrs Gittens, Mansfield and Tatham.
Per *Chinkiang*, for Shanghai, 2 Cabin.
Per *Benary*, for Saigon, 200 Chinese.
To DEPART.
Per *Cheang Hock Kian*, for Swatow and Amoy, about 360 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Wachi* reports: Fine weather throughout the passage.
H. M. gunboat *Curlew* reports: Fair weather with fog.
H. M. gunboat *Maggie* reports: Fine weather throughout the passage.
The Chinese steamer *Puyew* reports: Light winds and hazy weather with S.W. wind from Shanghai. Last night heavy thunder-storm, wind variable.
The British steamer *Taiwan* reports: Light airs and hazy weather first and middle parts of passage moderate variable winds with heavy thunder-storm up to 4 a.m. of 2nd, thence to port light southerly winds and fine weather. Stea. in Amoy Radnorshire and Francis I. In Swatow: *Olympia*, *Norma*, and H.M.S. *Hornet*.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For YOKOHAMA.—
Per *MENZALEH*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 3rd inst.
For MANILA.—
Per *SORSOGON*, at 2.30 p.m. on Thursday, the 3rd inst.
For YOKOHAMA AND NAGASAKI.—
Per *ARGENTINO*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 3rd inst.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per *PAU TAH*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 3rd inst.
For KIUNGCHOW.—
Per *PENEDO*, at 8.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 3rd inst.
For TAIWAN, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 3rd inst.
For SHANGHAI.—
Per *MEIKONG*, at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 4th inst. Late letters received from 11.10 to 11.30.
For BANGKOK.—
Per *RAJANATTIANURAR*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 7th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *SINDH*, will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 12th May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmannia, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.
Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet.
The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, May 11th.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 12th.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.
10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) except those to and through Australia, may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, April 23, 1877. my12

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 16th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—
2 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
2.30 p.m., Post-Office closes.
2.30 p.m., Correspondence for Japan or the United States only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.50 p.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Hongkong, May 2, 1877. my15

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—
The English Contract Packet *LOMBARDY*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 5th May.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, 4th May.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 5th May.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.
10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, April 24, 1877. my5

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The followings corrected from the latest London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 23, Western Chief, from London to Hongkong.
Nov. 23, Madura, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Dec. 4, Bendulutha, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to Hongkong.
Dec. 17, Carrioke, from London to Hongkong.
Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hongkong.
Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hongkong.
Dec. 23, Ino, from Greenock to Swatow.
Dec. 23, John Nicholson, from New York to Shanghai.
Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghai.
Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 4, G. R. Bishop, from London to Hongkong.
Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to Shanghai.
Jan. 12, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hongkong.
Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong.
Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hongkong.
Jan. 31, Forward Ho, from London to Shanghai.
Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Buryport to Hongkong.
Feb. 2, Polynesia, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 5, Carrizal, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 8, Daphne, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 12, Leading Wind, from Antwerp to Hongkong.
Feb. 17, Therese Behn, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 18, Matchless, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 19, Cactus O., from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 19, F. P. Lichfield, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 19, Maipin, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 20, Pourith, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 22, Enid, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 22, Osaka, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 22, Belted Will, from London to Shanghai.
Feb. 27, Gold Hunter, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 28, City of Aberdeen, from London to Shanghai.
Feb. 28, D. McB. Park, from Sunderland to Singapore and Hongkong.
Feb. 28, Janet Ferguson, from Glasgow to Singapore and Hongkong.
March 1, Isles of the South, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 1, Brown Brothers, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 1, Khedive, from Antwerp to Hongkong.
March 2, Paracoe, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 3, A. S. Davis, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 3, Callor Ou, from Cardiff to Shanghai.
March 4, Nimbus, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 4, Jala, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 6, Lord Macaulay, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 7, Alestis, from Cardiff to Chetoo.
March 10, Sir Lancelot, from London to Shanghai.
March 13, Golden Spur, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 16, Bessie Morris, from Swansea to Amoy.
March 16, Antwerp, from London to Hongkong.
March 17, Scindia (str.), from London to Shanghai.
March 19, Victoria, from Swansea to Hongkong.
March 19, C. W. Cochrane, from Liverpool to Hongkong.
March 20, Springfield, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 20, Warrior, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 20, George, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 22, Ajax (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.

Candia. Teviot.
Elgin. Nankin.
Glenfalias.

Sailing Vessels.

Duke of Abercorn. Corea.
Commissary. Seindia.
Kalsow. Melbrook.
James Shepherd. Ferdinand Brunau.

At Liverpool.

Friam (str.). Henry S. Sanford.
At Glasgow.

Isle of Eglis.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, May 4:—

Daylight.—Taiwan leaves for Amoy and Tamsui.
Noon.—*Meikong* leaves for Shanghai.
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

SATURDAY, May 5:—

Warrants for Bonus upon Contributions to the Union Ins. Society obtainable.
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.
Braemar Castle leaves for Hankow on or about this date.

SUNDAY, May 6:—

Goods per *Argentino* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, May 7:—

5 p.m.—Meeting of the Hongkong Humane Society at City Hall.
9 p.m.—Amateur Dramatic Club Performance at the City Hall.

TUESDAY, May 8:—

Noon.—Sale of Ground, at Sow-kai-wan.
Goods per *Meikong* undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

TUESDAY, May 15:—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

SATURDAY, May 19:—

Noon.—Sale of Stock-in-trade of the firm of Broadbear, Anthony & Co.

FRIDAY, June 1:—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

9 a.m.—*Penedo* leaves for Hoihow.

Noon.—*Menzaleh* leaves for Yokohama.

4 p.m.—*Argentino* leaves for Yokohama, Higo and Nagasaki.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1877.

In continuation of our resumé of the Reports for 1875 on Trade at the Treaty Ports in China, published by order of the Inspector-General of Customs, we deal to-day with the home, or coasting trade of China, carried on in foreign keels under the Chinese and flags of other nations. This trade forms a very important feature in the commerce of the empire, and gives employment to more than three times the amount of tonnage engaged in the direct carrying trade between China and foreign countries. The trade consists in taking native produce from one port to another for either subsequent re-shipment abroad or for local consumption, and in distributing the foreign imports from Shanghai to, principally, Ningpo and the northern and Yangtze ports. Hongkong is, of course, regarded as a foreign port. The value of the outward coast trade at all the Treaty Ports—that is, of goods sent from one port to another—amounted during the year to Tls. 109,747,416, of which Tls. 56,417,417 represented indigenous exports, Tls. 15,210,269 native re-exports, and Tls. 36,119,730 foreign re-exports. The re-export of foreign goods from Shanghai constitutes one of the leading features of the trade at that port. The value of the foreign re-exports from the Settlement during 1875, amounted to Tls. 34,024,907. The total value of the Canton outward coast trade, including of course indigenous exports and native and foreign re-exports, amounted to only 3,539,988. The entries of vessels employed in the coast trade inwards were 6,664 vessels, aggregating 3,874,436 tons, and clearances 6,786 vessels, amounting to 3,873,081 tons. The following table gives the percentage of the share taken in regard to the value of cargoes by each nationality in the carrying trade between the Treaty Ports in 1875 and previous years. The extraordinary growth of the trade in Chinese vessels will be noticed:—

Nationality. 1871. 1872. 1873. 1874. 1875.

British.....33.22 33.58 37.29 40.25 46.37

American.....68.34 66.81 62.76 45.02 34.49

German.....4.99 6.48 5.22 5.17 6.48

French.....0.60 0.68 0.45 0.43 0.59

Dutch.....0.51 0.28 0.15 0.14 0.05

Danish.....0.68 0.51 0.32 0.25 0.38

Spanish.....0.09 0.11 0.03 0.10 0.13

Swedish.....0.66 0.62 0.21 0.19 0.13

Russian.....0.12 0.17 0.11 0.06 0.06

Austrian.....0.07 — — — — 0.03

Non-Treaty 0.26 0.29 0.26 0.24 0.29

Power, — — — — —

Chinese.....0.66 0.20 0.10 0.10 0.10

The "bloated aristocracy" of Siam appear to be making very laudable efforts to render themselves generally useful. Our Bangkok contemporary states that Mr Clunie, the King's Civil Architect, has a large number of young noblemen, at stipulated wages, moulding cornices and ornaments for the royal palace buildings, the like of which the Siamese have been accustomed to order from China. A Prince is also employed in superintending certain works intended for exhibition at the international exposition in France next year. We noticed the fact a few weeks ago that the Bangkok correspondent of a San Francisco paper had prophesied that the Siamese people would "loom up suddenly some day and eclipse even the more advanced nations of the earth by their progress and development." The Siamese aristocracy are evidently already ahead of their European contemporaries, and we are sorry we treated the prophecy of this correspondent so lightly at the time.

THE OPIUM QUESTION AT HOME.

Our London correspondent furnishes us with an interesting account of the proceedings at the Chinese Legation in London on the occasion of a Deputation from the Anti-Opium Society waiting upon their Excellencies Kuo and Liu, to express their views on the opium question and to elicit the opinions of the Representatives of China in return. The interview was certainly of an original character and is of considerable importance in its bearing upon the subject. The speakers on behalf of the Deputation did not disguise their suspicions that the Chinese Government was not taking quite such vigorous steps to put down opium smoking as might be wished—an omission for which Kuo pleaded only some very general excuses; while in return His Excellency pointed out that it was impossible to do away with the opium traffic, as if England withdrew from the trade other nations would soon be found to enter so lucrative and profitable a field. These two points would seem conclusive to most people as to the impossibility of any good being effected by the action of a body like the Anti-Opium Society, however laudable their intentions may be upon purely philanthropic grounds. Nor does it appear from the report of the proceedings that the Chinese Envoy was very enthusiastic upon the subject. Most certainly, if he were, he would have refrained from stating the very best point for the Home Government to make in favour of continuing the trade upon its present basis; and it is almost impossible to avoid the conclusion that the expressions which were given utterance to fairly represented the phase which the subject either has already assumed or is likely to assume, on the question being discussed at home between the Chinese Representative and our Government, whatever the abstract merits of the case may be, so soon as the matter becomes reduced to a practical issue, it becomes evident that nothing can be done. No doubt under the circumstances the Chinese Minister will see the benefit of treating it rather in its financial than its humanitarian aspect, and will probably get an extra duty allowed, as the Government will not be disposed to have any dispute whatever on so unpopular a subject. This at least seems to be the logical conclusion from what has taken place at the Legation in London. The interview was certainly in no way encouraging to those who wish to see the use of opium put down. No prospect is held out of this being done by the action of the Chinese Government, and it is made only too clear that so long as China wants Opium from abroad, it will be able to obtain it from one country or another. The paragraph which we published last night, stating that a Portuguese Company has been formed with the view of growing opium in Mozambique, shows pretty conclusively that if the supply of opium from India were stopped, the Chinese would very soon get as much of the drug as they wanted from other quarters.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The steamer *Panay* was advertised to leave Manila for Hongkong to-morrow, the 3rd inst., at 4 p.m.

The *Oceania Española* of Manila says:—"People arrived by the *Marques de la Victoria* state that the weather in Hongkong was exceedingly cold." We fear our contemporary was badly informed, as the weather here has been described as warm for some weeks past, and on the day the *Marques* left here, the thermometer marked from 68 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit. Probably, however

SUPPLEMENT
TO THE
CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 2ND MAY, 1877.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Argentino	5 h	Barsuld	Brit. str.	915	April 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Salgon	To-day
Benarty	4 c	Potter	Brit. str.	1119	April 23	Ah Yon		
Bertha	8 h	Windham	Brit. str.	1421	April 23	Meyer & Co.		6th inst.
Braemar Castle	4 k	Ayles	Brit. str.	1424	April 24	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Hankow	
Cheang Hook Kian	2 h	Webb	Brit. str.	956	April 30	Soon Cheong & Co.	Swatow and Amoy	
Chinkiang	5 c	Orr	Brit. str.	789	May 1	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
City of Peking	4 h	Tanner	Amer. str.	5079	May 1	P. M. S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F. cisco	Mails, 15th
Esmeralda	5 h	Theband	Brit. str.	395	May 1	A. McG. Heaton	Amoy	Co-day
Foronia	5 h	Schultz	Ger. str.	1089	April 20	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Shanghai	
Flintshire	3 c	Thomas	Brit. str.	1240	April 30	A. McG. Heaton		
Gunga	3 c	Garceau	Fch. str.	797	April 26	Hop Kee & Co.	Cooktown & Sydney	
Hailong	5 h	Abbott	Brit. str.	277	April 27	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Amoy, Taiwan, &c.	
Hankow	5 c	ymington	Brit. str.	2332	April 19	Siemssen & Co.		
Imbros	4 c	Bennington	Brit. str.	1275	April 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	London	
Juan	4 h	Stock	Brit. str.	1019	April 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Cooktown	
Meikong	5 c	Foache	Fch. str.	1910	May 2	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	Mails, 4th
Montzaleh	5 c	Pasqualini	Fch. str.	1000	April 24	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	To-morrow
Montgomeryshire	3 c	Sturrock	Brit. str.	1146	April 28	H. Kier & Co.	Saigon	
Nelson	5 h	Staples	Brit. str.	694	April 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Ningpo	5 c	Jass	Brit. str.	761	May 1	Siemssen & Co.		K'long Dock
Ocean	5 c	Jaques	Brit. str.	971	April 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sydney v. Foochow	
Penedo	5 c	Cain	Brit. str.	652	April 27	Melchers & Co.	Saigon	
Rajanattianubar	3 h	Hopkins	Brit. str.	933	April 30	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	
Suada	4 h	.....	Brit. str.	37	Dec. 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Sea Gull	5 h	Paray	Brit. str.	35	April 24	Lane, Crawford & Co.		
Sorsogon	5 h	Ohca	Span. str.	174	April 24	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Manila	Coast Dock
State of Louisiana	5 c	Johnston	Brit. str.	1216	April 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Amoy	
Sunda	5 c	Reeves	Brit. str.	1205	April 18	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Thingvall	5 h	Nielsen	Dan. str.	1577	April 14	Meyer & Co.		Abdeen Dock
Wahl	5 h	Hunter	Brit. str.	205	May 1	Landstein & Co.	Hoihow	
Yosso	5 h	Punchard	Brit. str.	559	April 28	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	To-day
Yotung	2 h	.....	Brit. str.	324	June 9	Kwok Acheong		topairing
Zamboanga	4 c	Valenceno	Span. str.	651	April 26	Ah Yon	Bangkok	
Sailing Vessels.								
A. T. Stallknecht	3 c	Schütt	Ger. bqe.	539	April 23	Siemssen & Co.		
Albert Russell	8 c	Carver	Amer. bqe.	702	April 13	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
America	2 k	Holdt	Ger. sh.	1219	May 1	Siemssen & Co.		
Arabella	8 c	Pearson	Brit. bqe.	665	April 16	Eduard Schellhaus & Co.		
Carl	3 k	Hansen	Ger. bg.	215	April 27	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Tientsin	
Catherine Marden	4 c	Marden	Brit. 3m.sc.	287	April 19	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Charles Maureau	2 h	Quatresous	Fch. bqe.	368	April 29	Landstein & Co.		
Charlotte Andrews	4 c	Place	Brit. bqe.	356	May 1	Chinese		
Cheng Soon	2 h	Cheng Sang	Siam. sch.	200	April 30	Chinese		
Coeran	8 c	Millar	Amer. sch.	230	April 19	Insurance Company		
Ellen Rickmers	4 c	Weydemann	Ger. bqe.	307	April 28	Melchers & Co.		
Evening Star	8 c	Asburn	Brit. bqe.	371	April 14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Fabius	2 h	Holze	Siam. sh.	635	April 28	Kin-tye-loong		
Falcon	2 h	Vie	Brit. bqe.	385	April 23	Yuen Fat Hong		
Glamorganshire	3 c	McEachern	Brit. bqe.	456	April 30	Kin-tye-loong		
Glenairn	8 c	Finnister	Brit. sh.	895	April 11	Landstein & Co.		
Lannah Lord	2 h	Greig	Brit. sh.	1299	April 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.		P. & O. Wharf
Hydra	8 c	Dest	Ger. bqe.	785	Mar. 27	Siemssen & Co.		
Jan Peter	4 c	Wert	Ger. bqe.	336	April 26	Siemssen & Co.		
Lalla Rookh	2 h	Hender	Brit. bqe.	814	April 20	Melchers & Co.		
Leucadia	8 c	Mearns	Brit. sh.	896	April 12	Meyer & Co.		
Leitner	7 c	W. W. W.	Brit. sh.	862	April 16	Russell & Co.		
Mary Whitridge	8 c	Cutle	Amer. sh.	862	April 16	Russell & Co.	Vancouver's Island	
Mount Lebanon	2 h	Hall	Brit. 3m.sc.	530	Mar. 26	Rozario & Co.	New York	
Nova Era	8 c	Sawyer	Brit. sh.	1060	April 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Nyassa	8 c	Garriock	Brit. sh.	799	April 7	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Paiho	4 c	Christiansen	Ger. bqe.	251	April 25	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Piccola	3 c	Grafe	Ger. bqe.	238	April 28	Siemssen & Co.		
Rosetta McNeil	3 c	Brown	Amer. bqe.	611	Mar. 26	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Rosina	8 c	Hansen	Am. 3m. sc.	406	Feb. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Rurik	4 c	Burgeland	Russ. bqe.	830	Mar. 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Sophie	4 c	Binge	Ger. bg.	210	April 23	Wieler & Co.	Takow	
Terese	4 c	Cebada	Span. bqe.	251	Mar. 31	Siemssen & Co.	Manila	Coast Dock
Thomas Lord	8 c	Hall	Amer. sh.	1816	April 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Thoon Kramom	2 c	Vorrath	Siam. bqe.	474	April 29	Siemssen & Co.		
Tullochgorum	5 c	Mason	Brit. 3m.sc.	175	April 20	Wieler & Co.		
Villa de Rivadavia	4 c	Carmus	Span. bg.	261	April 28	Brandao & Co.		Sands' Slip
W. H. Deitz	8 c	Eudicott	Amer. bqe.	487	April 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Wealthy Pendleton	8 c	Chanchar	Amer. bqe.	809	April 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
WIAMPOA								
Eudoxie Adolphe		Valot	Fch. bg.	254	May 1	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Gustav Adolph		Nemann	Ger. bqe.	300	April 21	Order		
CANTON								
Pau Tah		Patterson	Chi. str.	870	April 29	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Charybdis	6 c	British	corvette	1506	...	...	April 5	T. E. Smith
Fly	6 h	British	gun vessel	464	4	120	April 23	John Bruce
Hai Ching	6 c	Chinese	gu. boat	...	...	...	April 30	Kwa Teng Sing
Luise	6 c	German	corvette	1309	6	400	May 1	Ditmar
Moeanee	6 k	British	military hospital	2591	...	...	...	...
Modeste	6 c	British	corvette	1405	14	350	April 13	Alex. Buller, C.B.
Nassau	7 h	British	surveying vessel	695	4	150	May 1	R. H. Napier
Patino	K. D.	Spanish	transport	1200	...	...	Feb. 23	Rapello
Sylvia	7 h	British	surveying vessel	595	...	...	April 27	W. Bonham Bax
Tojo	Novelty Works	Portug.	gun vessel	444	2	100	Jan. 8	F. Amaral
Victor Emanuel	6 c	British	Commodore's flag-ship	3087	2	...	...	Commodore Watson
Ashuelot		American	corvette	1100	6	700	April 16	E. O. Matthews

HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON RIVER
STEAMERS.

Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Tame	117	Stopani	H. & W'pca Dock Co.
Tei Wan	.....	.....	H., C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Ichang	700	Martin	Butterfield and Swire
Kin Shan	457	Cary	H., C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Kiu Kiang	617	Benning, T.	H., C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Lukin	69	.....	Kwok Acheong
Powan	1890	Benning, A.	H., C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Sir J. J. Jeejeebhoy	101	Hawkins	Kwok Acheong
Spark	140	Lelefour	H., C. & M. S.-boat Co.
White Cloud	280	Hoyland	H., C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Yotsay	180	Browne	Kwok Acheong

CHINESE GUN-VESSLS IN CANTON
WATERS, &c.

Name.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Commander.
An-lan	431	7	.....	J. Godall
Chen-jul	28	1	.....	E. F. Collins
Ching-po	150	...	.....	Wan Lum Wan
Ching-sing	.....	...	.....	E. Choy
Chun-hai	230	6	.....	.....
Peng-chou-hai	600	5	400	C. H. Palmer
Quong-on	180	3	60	Li Ping Tye
Shen-chi	150	5	.....	H. Wade
Sui-taing	.....	...	.....	Stewart
Tching-taing	150	6	60	Bessard
Tien-po	150	6	150	C. De Longueville
Wing-po	600	3	.....	Lam Man Wo

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT,
April 21, 1877.

*Benarty for Hongkong
Europe for Shanghai
Hau K'wang for Shanghai
K. Flickinger for Hongkong
*Namo

SHIPPING IN SHANGHAI HARBOUR,
April 21, 1877.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.
*Chinkiang British
Flour Castle British
Fusiyama Chinese
Glennan British

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Hai-an Chinese
Hankow (McQueen) British
H. C. Orsted Danish
Hoan Maru American
Honan Chinese
*Iraquaddy French
Kiang chang Chinese
Kiang-piau Chinese
Kiang-tean Chinese
Kiang-wae Chinese
Lombardy British
Nanking American
Loudoun Castle British

* Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

*Pau-tah Chinese
Ping-on British
Tabiew Chinese
Tokio Maru Japanese
Ulysses for London

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.
Flying Scud British schooner
Haydn Brown for New York
Lady Bowen British barque
Per Ardua British barque

MEN-OF-WAR.
Frollo H. M. gun-vessel
Palos U. S. gunboat
Sobol Russian gunboat
Surprise French gunboat

Foreign office, and will be issued at the same time.

We understand that the directors of the Austrian Lloyd Steam Company have decided on laying down at their building yard at Trieste two screw steamers of 3,000 tons. They have at present on the stocks one of 2,000 tons, and two small steamers for local service. It is rumoured that the line to Bombay will be shortly extended on to the Straits and China. At the yard of the Messageries Company is the *Yangtze* (at first named the *Tanquin*), a steamer of over 3,500 tons and 600 H.P., which will be ready in August. The *Sankofa*, a similar vessel, will probably be launched early next year.

The Chinese Envoys are commencing to go about to the various public institutions and other places of interest. They have visited the General Post-office and the Telegraphic Department, being conducted over the establishment by Lord John Manners, the Post-Master General; and on the evening of the same day they were present at Christ's Hospital and witnessed the public singing of the boys. They were much struck when told that this custom had been maintained for over 300 years, a fact which would somewhat shake the Chinese notion that the outer barbarian has only commenced to become civilised since he came into contact with the Celestial Empire. They expressed admiration at the dress of the boys and their conduct. They were also present at a reception by Lady Derby at the Foreign office, and another at Lady Egerton of Tatton's, at the latter of which they met the poet Browning and other celebrities. Two has himself gained some laurels as a poet, and expressed great satisfaction at meeting Mr. Browning, with whom he had some conversation through one of his interpreters. Lady Kwo—as she is generally styled—had paid a visit to the Art School for Ladies' Embroidery, where she adjusted one of the frames correctly and embroidered a few stitches. Yesterday the Envoys, accompanied by the Right Hon. R. A. Cross, the Home Secretary, paid a visit to the British Museum.

The Peruvian Congress has authorised the Executive to contract with Olyphant and Co. for the introduction of Chinese labour into Peru, in conformity with the existing treaty between Peru and China, and voted the law granting a yearly subsidy for this purpose of 160,000 soles. Congress, however, withheld its sanction of the return of guano and nitrate already agreed upon between the Government and Messrs. Olyphant. It was alleged that the Government would, nevertheless, insist upon its right to carry out the original agreement on the ground that Congress has no power to rescind an executive measure entered upon with the authority of the Legislature. It was urged that Peru must be supplied with labour, which it was believed could only be profitably obtained from China.

Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)

May 2, 1877.

ASSAULT.

Chan Atp, a bricklayer, was charged by Man Ahee, a shopman, with assault under the following circumstances. The complainant was accused by the defendant with stealing some clothing and money to the value of \$30, and he had the complainant tied up and beaten, with the view of making him confess where he concealed the things and to restore them. The defendant was fined \$5 or 14 days' hard labour.

WHAT OUR COOKS GENERALLY DO.

Lee Akee, a cook to Mr. J. D. Humphreys, was charged with stealing beef as follows:—The complainant told the defendant to get some beef to make beef-tea for Mrs. Humphreys, who was unwell. The complainant went to the kitchen to examine the meat and found it was not good. He saw also a piece of beef which had been bought for beef-tea. He asked the defendant how much it weighed and the defendant said it was 2½ lbs. As the piece of meat looked too small for that weight, he took it upstairs for the purpose of testing the weight. He found that it weighed only 1 lb. 13 oz. The defendant then sent up another piece, saying it should have formed part of the original piece, but with this addition the meat only weighed 2 lbs. 1½ oz. The Magistrate sent for the butchers from whom the defendant bought the meat, and found that he did not have what he represented. He was consequently sent to two months' hard labour.

Manila.

(From the Manila Papers.)

An arrangement has been entered into between the P. & O. S. N. Company's branch at Singapore, and Messrs. Reyes & Co. of Manila to carry passengers from Manila to Gibraltar via Singapore at the following rates: 1st class, \$35; 2nd class, \$22; and third-class, \$13. Messrs. Reyes & Co. will grant tickets at Manila.

The right for the exclusive use, during 15 years, of his new chemical process applied to the manufacture of sugar, has been granted to a Mr. Robert Trodht, an English subject.

The importation of coins during the first fortnight of April was \$5535 in Spanish gold coins, and \$3500 in foreign gold coins. Silver coins were \$102,281, \$140,000 of which were deposited in the Banco Español Filipino, and \$2281 in the Custom House. The exportation is nil.

Out of 9150 mules offered for sale by auction on the 20th April, 5983 mules were sold for \$72,695.45, including \$1,232.60 of premium.

The Races arranged for the 20th and 21st April were run successfully.

The British ship *Omba* while leaving the port on the 20th April, ran into the American ship *Daniel Mearns*, lying at anchor in the bay. Both vessels seemed to have suffered little damage. In consequence of this accident the *Omba* has postponed her departure till the following day.

A Chinese merchant here has imported copies of the *Koran*, written in the Arabian language, and their destination is supposed to be Socotra.

The pieces of machinery, &c., for the Manila Mint, constructed at Hongkong, have arrived at the *Emeralda*.

Five lorches belonging to the estate of Russell & Sturges were sold by auction and realised a total sum of \$2585.

The steamer *Emeralda*, which arrived from Hongkong on the 24th April, brought \$47,000 in gold.

The *Oceanic Express* says:—“Well-informed people tell us that the Spanish gold coins recently imported by a foreign

house, are sold at 1 per cent. premium, and not at 5 as some people say.”

A letter from Zamboanga dated April 8, says that drought is prevailing there; a considerable number of cattle have died, and the public health is considerably injured.

The *Comerio* of the 27th April says that there arrived at Manila a Chinaman, who has been several times there, with the object of purchasing lumber for some works that are about to be undertaken on the coast of China. The construction of a railway of some pretensions is said to be in contemplation, and the Philippine timber will be used for some of the works.

The *Comerio* published the following telegram dated 14th March:—“The barque *Wm. Frising*, from Iloilo for the English Channel, put into this port in a leaky condition, having lost her main mast, the mizen top-mast and boats; her upper works considerably damaged, and the fore mast splintered. She is discharging her cargo by order of the surveyor.”

Arrivals.—April 19, San Lorenzo, from Hongkong; 21, Lord of the Isles, from New Castle; 23, Magpie, Br. G.B., from Labuan; 23, Paragua, from Singapore; 24, Emerald, from Hongkong; 25, M. d. I. Victoria, from Hongkong; 26, Salvador, from Hongkong.

Departures.—April 18, Marivales, for Singapore; 18, Charité, for Hongkong; 18, Elizabeth, for a cruise; 19, Francis Amanda, for Falmouth; 21, Sarah Nicholson, and Omba, for Falmouth; 21, Daniel Marcy, for New York; 21, Parthia, for Liverpool; 24, Flores de Maria, for Molucca Islands.

On the berth, April 27th.—Carica, for London; Paragua, for Singapore; San Lorenzo, for Hongkong; Albay, for Hongkong.

Iloilo, April 28.—Between 3 and 4 p.m. of the 17th, a violent earthquake was experienced, which commenced with a tremor followed by an oscillation movement from N. to S.; its duration was of about 45 seconds, during which no damage was done.

The American barque *Signal*, while changing her anchorage from the river to the bay to complete her cargo, was carried by the current and collided with a cargo-boat formerly belonging to Messrs. Russell and Sturges, destroying her completely, and also causing some damage to a lorch anchored near by.

The German barque *Adelina* also caused some damage to the brigantine-schooner *Amigao*, while entering the harbour on her arrival.

The British barque *Windermere* has also arrived here.

The American ship *Favorite*, of 1515 tons, sailed for Boston on the 18th April, with 126,255 kilogram sugar and 88,907 kil. asparagus.

The American barque *Eureka* left for New York with 759,070 kil. sugar.

The German steamer *Quarta* left to-day for Liverpool with 22,000 piculs sugar.

The Straits.

(Singapore Daily Times.)

Inspector Strugnell, whose name has had some prominence during the trial of the police torture case, has been suspended from his duties by Captain Walshe, Acting Inspector General of Police, pending an inquiry into the circumstances of his knowledge or ignorance of the actions of the convicted policemen towards the Chinese boys.

Two Chinamen were discovered by a police peon attempting to break into a house in Tide Terrace last night (April 22), and, on seeing the policeman, they ran away. The policeman followed, and a Kling, who was called by the policeman to render him assistance, attempted to hold one of the Chinamen, when the latter stabbed him, inflicting a dangerous wound, and afterwards threw the knife at the police peon, cutting his face severely. The culprit was afterwards arrested and house-breaking instruments were found in his possession.

We learn that the General Agents of the E. and A. Company have received a telegram from the Brisbane Agents, dated the 18th April, to the effect that the *Normanby* had arrived of Cooktown on the 17th April, all being well on board, but, notwithstanding, all passengers for Queensland ports were to go into quarantine, while the steamer and her Sydney passengers were allowed to proceed south without any detention. H. E. Sir William Jervis, who took his passage by the *Normanby*, from here for Sydney, was, therefore, not quarantined or detained in Queensland.

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Meikong*, Capt. Fosche, from Marseilles, with the London mails of the 23rd March, arrived this morning.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(Straits Times.)

Bombay, March 26.—Serious disturbances are threatening in Kurnool where Roulila from the Nizam's country are committing depredations on British subjects. Sir Salar Jung has been appealed to by the Government to repress the incursions. The 4th Madras Cavalry at Bellary have been warned to hold themselves in readiness to start at brief notice for Kurnool.

London, March 28.—The Chartered Bank pays a dividend of 2½ per cent for the half year and carries forward £85,000.

London, March 29.—The Chartered Mercantile Bank pays 4 per cent for the half year.

Lahore, April 2.—The Ombut Conference has been finally closed, as the American declines the Viceroy's proposals. Sir Lewis Pelly left Lahore this morning under a salute of fifteen guns. He will meet the Viceroy at Lucknow.

Bombay, April 3.—The number on relief works in this Presidency is now 238,093 showing an increase in the week of 10,000. Deaths at Dharwar from cholera are 802.

London, April 4.—General Alexander Edwards has been appointed Colonel of the 2nd Queen's.

A semi-official provincial correspondent of Berlin states that Prince Bismarck will be relieved of the direction of the Foreign and Internal Affairs of the Empire.

Washington, April 4.—President Hayes has withdrawn the troops from the Carolina State House.

Constantinople, April 6.—The Porte is displeased with the terms of the proposed protocol, and will probably refuse immediate

disarmament. The Montenegrin delegates maintain their demands. Great uncertainty exists.

Bombay, April 5.—There was a stormy meeting of the Bombay Corporation yesterday, when a vote of Rs. 10,000 for the famine-stricken people here was proposed, one part maintaining it is the duty of Government to provide funds for the relief of distress, the other that no invasion of distressed people has occurred. The Police Commissioner declared he would convey no more people to hospitals unless he knew how they will be fed there. The discussion reviewed adversely the Government reduction of numbers on relief works in the district. Eventually the money was voted only for Hospital relief, leaving the burden of feeding on the Government and on private charity. Indignation was expressed that the Government had not called a public meeting but had actually hindered private charity. There was a lively passage of arms between the Editors of the *Times of India* and *Bombay Gazette*, who, as Justices, are Members of the Corporation.

London, April 6.—The text of the Russian Protocol published recognises the necessity of maintaining European concert, and favours the rectification of the Montenegrin frontier. It invites the Porte to replace its army on a peace footing, and takes cognisance of its promises of reforms and hopes for their energetic execution which the Ambassadors of the six guaranteeing Powers at Constantinople will watch, and, if disappointed, the Great Powers will consider together the best means of securing the well-being of the Christians in Turkey and the general peace.

London, April 7.—Sir Andrew Clarke has been appointed Colonel of Royal Engineers in consequence of the retirement of Sir A. H. Freeling on full pay.

Calcutta, April 7.—The number on relief works in Madras in the week ended the 5th instant was 693,761, showing an increase of upwards of thirty thousand chiefly in Kurnool, Bellary and North Arcot. This increase was caused by the return of labourers frightened away by cholera. The number gratuitously fed was 114,890, showing an increase of nearly sixteen thousand. Cattle are still dying of starvation in Bellary and North Arcot. The number of persons employed on relief works in Mysore is 75,000, 52,000 are gratuitously fed. Prospects there have improved.

Rome, April 8.—The Pope's health is better and he continues his audiences at the Vatican.

Paris, April 8.—M. Paul Casanque has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment for libelling the Republican Government in his paper, the *Pays*.

Constantinople, April 9.—An Extraordinary Cabinet Council was held on Saturday and Sunday to decide whether the Porte should accept the terms of the Russian Protocol. The clauses referring to demobilization and the peace negotiations with Montenegro caused much uneasiness.

The decision of the Council is awaited, but it is rumoured that the Porte has resolved to send an Ambassador to St. Petersburg to negotiate for mutual disarmament.

Constantinople, April 9.—A Cabinet Council was again held here to-day, to consider the Protocol, but no decision was arrived at. The Porte is sending an envoy to St. Petersburg to negotiate.

London, April 9.—The Ritualistic Clergy have presented an address to the Bench of Bishops, urging the modification of legal relations between the Church and State. The Archbishop of Canterbury in reply said he considered their demands vague, but promised to submit the matter to both Houses of Convocation.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—The Russian Charge d'Affaires at Constantinople has informed Safvet Pasha that the Russian Government desires an answer from the Porte respecting the protocol before the 13th inst.

Rome, April 10.—Small Internationalist bands have appeared in the vicinity of Rome and Naples. The insurgents have been dispersed and the ringleaders arrested.

Constantinople, April 10.—A Despatch from the Turkish Government to its representatives abroad declines to adhere to the Russian protocol, and especially rejects the addition made by Count Schouvaloff. It repels interference in internal affairs of the Porte, and only consents to send an Envoy to St. Petersburg, and to disarm if Russia agrees to disarm. The Turkish Chamber of Deputies has rejected the demands of Montenegro. St. Petersburg papers regard war between Russia and Turkey as inevitable.

London, April 10.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Lord Geo. Hamilton said the Secretary of State for India had recently asked the Governor of Bombay for his decision upon a Report of the Factory Commission, and urged a full enquiry into the alleged excessive employment of children.

Constantinople, April 11.—Safvet Pasha has notified to Montenegrin delegates that conditions of peace are unacceptable, the Chamber of Deputies having rejected them, but that the decision of the Senate is now awaited. In to-day's sitting of the Senate the question will be remitted for decision by Government. Much uncertainty exists.

St. Petersburg, April 11.—Golos states the Russian Army will at once advance if Turkey and Montenegro resume hostilities.

Berlin, April 11.—Imperial order published granting Bismarck leave until August. Meanwhile Camphausen, Below and Hofman replace him.

London, April 11.—Daily News states project for Imperial Museum for India and Colonies has fallen through. India office has cut out the expenditure of existing Museum and its partial transfer to British Museum is probable. General Henry Smith appointed Colonel 2nd Queen's Irish Edwards transferred to 18th Royal Irish.

[Correction. H. yesterday's telegram read: "and disarm if Russia agrees disarm simultaneously."]

Galle, April 11.—His Excellency the Governor landed here this morning, under the usual salute, having arrived from Australia by the P. & O. steamer *Assam*. The usual officials received His Excellency on landing, and there was a large gathering of natives, attracted by the artillery salute. Sir William Gregory appears to be in excellent health.

London, April 12.—In the House of Commons to-night Sir S. Northcote made his Financial Statement, announcing a Surplus for 1876 of £445,000. Estimated Revenue for 1877 is £79,000,000; Estimated expenditure, £78,700,000. No increase or remission of taxation is proposed.

Princess of Wales has arrived in Paris.

Philadelphia, April 12.—General Hampton has been installed Governor of the State of South Carolina, the Republican candidate having retired. A fire has taken

place in a Hotel at Saint Louis, in which fifty people perished.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—The Russian troops are moving towards Jassy. The circular of the Porte respecting the Russian protocol is regarded here as the end of further negotiations. The armistice between Turkey and Montenegro has expired.

Aden, April 12.—The *Neam*, with the outward English mails of 30th Mar. left here at 3 o'clock afternoon for Bombay, and the *Khelive* for Galle and Calcutta at one o'clock in the afternoon.

London, April 12.—A semi-panic on the Stock Exchange caused by political uneasiness, especially in Russian securities. Consols for account 97½. Bar Silver 64.

London, April 12.—Consols 96. Four per cent 84½. Four and a half per cent 84½. Five and a half per cent 85½. Bar Silver 64½. Exchange on India 83.

London, April 13.—In the House of Commons last night, Sir Stafford Northcote, answering a question, said no definite proposal concerning an Imperial Museum for India and the Colonies was before Government, and he was unable to state their views on the matter.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—It is believed a declaration of war is imminent at St. Petersburg. The reserves on furlough have been ordered to rejoin by 22nd April.

London, April 14.—In the House of Lords last night Earl Derby, in submitting the circular of the Porte, said he regretted it was unsatisfactory and not at all conducive to a peaceful settlement. A long debate took place in the House of Commons. The Marquis of Hartington, in moving for additional papers, asked for the views of the Government, and how they reconciled the Protocol with the independence and integrity of the Porte. Mr. Gathorne Hardy, in replying, refused to lay a portion of the papers on the table, and said that England's last word, which would be in favour of peace, had not yet been uttered. England objected to make war on Turkey, who had done her no wrong. The Protocol was signed because the Government believed it would afford Russia a last chance of disarming. The motion was eventually withdrawn.

Mr. Lowther, the Under Colonial Secretary, answering a question, said it was impossible without enquiry to sanction Railway schemes to meet scarcity in Ceylon, but that roads and other public works were in contemplation.

Constantinople, April 13.—Turkey has finally rejected the demands made by Montenegro, and has telegraphed to Prince Nikita, informing him of the failure of peace negotiations and that no prolongation of the suspension of hostilities will be listened to. The reserves of the Roumanian permanent army have been called on for service.

London, April 14.—The Turkish Ambassador to-day had an interview with the Earl of Derby, in which the latter declared he failed to see by what further steps the British Ministry could avert war.

Constantinople, April 14.—Abdool Kerim Pasha, the Generalissimo of the Turkish army, has started for Schutla to assume the command. Persia has notified to the Porte that she claims Bagdad.

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

New York, March 24.—Dispatches from London this morning received, dated 7 o'clock, announce a fine, sunshiny morning. No particular increase in the street traffic is noticeable on account of the races.

Putney, 7 o'clock.—Betting five to four on Oxford. Very few people are here, owing to the earliness of the hour. The towing-path from Putney to Hammersmith is nearly empty. A tolerable calm breeze is getting up. A good many small boats are on the river, but nothing to compare with last year. There are few steamers. The weather is fair now but threatening. The main road from Putney to Mortlake is filled with traffic. It is thought the race will be closely contested.

Mortlake, 7.30 a.m.—Weather favorable; water smooth, and light southwest wind. The crowd about medium.

Mortlake, 8.17 a.m.—The crowd is increasing and is now large. The wind is rising.

London, March 24.—10 a.m.—It is now regarded certain that the race was a dead heat. The coxswain, judge and umpire will meet at 2 o'clock and decide whether Oxford won or the race was a dead heat. The reason for this is the ambiguous form of the judge's decision, namely: "A dead heat by two yards."

London, March 24.—The thirty-fourth University boat race was rowed this morning at an early hour, and the course was the usual one, on the Thames from Putney to Mortlake—distance four miles and two furlongs. Of the Cambridge eight, six participated in last year's contest, while of the Oxford crew four were ancient mariners, but the coxswain was a novice on the Thames. Canoes rowed in a now swiftest Winship boat, and the Oxford in a new Clasper boat. While the number of spectators was for a University race comparatively small, there was enough to make what would be an immense gathering elsewhere. The start was made at 8.27 a.m. Oxford took the water first and was eight feet ahead in half-a-dozen strokes. This lead they held to the Duke's Head, where the Cambridge crew drew off, and were on even terms half way between the Head and Slumpton's yard. Off this yard Cambridge got a lead of about four feet, which position was maintained at the London boat house. At this period in the race Cambridge rowed in better form. At Chavon Cottage, six furlongs from the starting point, the boats were about on a level. Oxford now forged ahead, and when about a mile had been rowed led by about a third of a length. At Crabtree Oxford led by only a few feet. At the Distillery, a mile and four furlongs from the starting point, Cambridge showed two or three feet in front. At the Oil Mills, two miles from the starting point, Oxford drew up alongside. At the bottom of Cheswick Eyot Oxford was again in front, being better together than Cambridge, who seemed much troubled by rough water. At Cheswick Church, three miles, Oxford had increased their advantage to two thirds of a length, and the race was apparently no longer in doubt. Rounding the bend into Horse-shoe Reach, Cambridge gained upon Oxford, but the latter drew away and won a length ahead of Balming Place, nine furlongs from the winning point. Cambridge made another effort, but only reduced Oxford's lead to two-thirds of a length. No further change occurred up to Barmy bridge, five furlongs further on, through which Oxford passed nearly a length ahead, and off the White Hart, four furlongs from the goal, was a length and some feet in advance. Of the *Limer*, Cambridge

sprinted, and reduced the lead of Oxford, which all at once got all aboard, as their bowman was seen to be in difficulty, and unable to use his oar properly. Cambridge was now within a third of a length of being on even terms with the Oxford, and a most exciting struggle followed from the ship to the winning post, stationed some distance from the ship. Cambridge would not be denied, and gradually but surely creeping up, the two crews went past the judge's level amid scenes of the wildest excitement ashore and afloat. The time was twenty-four minutes and ten seconds. The judge declared the race to be a dead heat.

London, March 24.—The *Echo* says of the result of the race:—“It was very unexpected. At first all the telegrams announced that Oxford had won, and these we published.”

The *Pall Mall Gazette* complains of the unbusinesslike way in which the judges acted, and says: “It will be a warning to University Presidents to abstain in the future from employing watermen for judges in general and John Phelps in particular.”

THE NAVY ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1877.

The following are the whole of the votes in the Navy Estimates for Hongkong, the figures within the parentheses being the votes for last year:—

Dockyard.—Naval officer in charge of establishments, £341 (£341), in addition to which he is paid £447 for his naval duties; referee of naval officer in charge of establishments, £278 (£278); staff commander, acting as master attendant, £737 (£737); inspector of machinery afloat, £748 (£748); three engineers, £393 (£393); carpenter, acting as assistant master shipwright, £177 (£177); boatswain, £233 (£233); chaplain, £319 (£319); surgeon of H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel*, for additional duties in attending the dockyard men and their families £46 (£46); paymaster, for doing duty as naval and victualling storekeeper, £842 (£778); accountant, £200 (£1,000); two clerks, £765 (£756); allowance to ditto to meet the increased cost of living, £200 (£200); allowance to ditto for house rent, £300 (£300); mechanic writer, £149; temporary employment of writers, £2,805 (£2,794); writer borne on the books of H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel*,— (£284); allowances in lieu of stationery, £52 (£52); postage, boat-hire, advertisements, and other small expenses, £80 (£80); total salaries establishment, £11,082 (£10,995). Wages: 234 (211) men, £7,788 (£7,731); 27 (27) seamen for service in the yard, £1,262 (£1,232); allowances in lieu of provisions for quarters to some of the above, and for extra pay, £1,212 (£1,150); wages of 15 (15) persons employed for yard service afloat, £330 (£348); wages of 6 (6) for yard service afloat, £201 (£201); allowances in lieu of provisions, £200 (£200); wages and clothing of the police, 36 (36), employed in the yard, £3,318 (£3,448); total wages, 318 (£295), £14,271 (£14,335); total for Hong Kong Naval Yard, £25,353 (£25,330).

Vicualling Yard.—Wages of 24 (24) artificers and labourers, 2985 (£2981).

Hospital.—Deputy inspector-general of hospitals, £693 (£668); two surgeons, £510 (£538); allowances to medical officers in lieu of provisions for themselves and servants, £228 (£228); clerk, £381 (£371); dispenser, £220 (£200); allowances in lieu of stationery, £15 (£15); funeral expenses, boat-hire, washing linen, and other small expenses, £140 (£140); total salaries establishment, £2,552 (£2,476). Wages: £1,054 (£1,054). Total for Hong Kong Hospital, £3,606 (£3,530).

New Works, Buildings, &c.—Extension of pier, £1,160; factory buildings to complete, £1,000; boundary wall and gates, £750; re-constructing sea-wall, £250; foundations for machinery, £300; new store, master attendants' and police-quarters (additional works), £300; houses for fire engines, £200; repairs and maintenance of buildings, £800; new machinery, £530; repairs to plant and machinery £500; total, £7,490. Renewal of waterpipes at hospital, £500; alterations for new hospital and surgeons' quarters, £420; kitchen, 340; surgeons' quarters, £220; lightning conductors, £110; circulating boiler and pipes for baths, £150; raising boundary walls and renewing gate, £150; renewal of floor, £120; fences for inclosing new ground, £150; repairs and maintenance of buildings, £490; total, £22,410.

Naval Prison.—Wages of master-at-arms and three ships' corporals of the *Victor Emmanuel*, £237 (£237).

Loss by Exchange.—Net loss by exchange incurred from payments made by paymaster on the East India and China Stations, and discount on bills drawn, £300 (£300).

Superannuation.—Among the pensions is: Mr. R. F. Hawke, accountant, Hongkong, eighteen years' service, £394 Os. 8d.

THE PRINCE OF WALES AND JOURNALISM.

The prospects of the coming season are far from brilliant, and we are full here with more than the dulness of Mid-Longford Her Majesty, with her usual disregard for ecclesiastical times and seasons, while I write, holding a drawing-room in person, though to-day is a Friday to boot. The Prince of Wales has been astonishing the natives by giving a bachelor or men's dinner-party, at which the two principal guests were Joseph Chamberlain, the new ultra-democratic M.P. for Birmingham, and Mundella, one of the very advanced Liberal representatives of Sheffield. Don't be afraid, H. R. H. is not turning Radical! He may say, as the Emperor Joseph said during his visit to Paris before the first French Revolution, when a lady in a *salon* was boring him with philosophical republicanism. “*Madame, mon métier a moi, c'est d'être Royaliste*.” After playing the host to two democratic M. Ps., Albert Edward honoured with his presence the house dinner of the Carlton, an incident the more significant that His Royal Highness seldom puts his foot in any club save the Marlborough, and that is non-political. He asked Chamberlain and Mundella to dinner simply because they had been prominent in welcoming him on the occasion of his State-visits to Birmingham and Sheffield respectively. Of course, it would not have done to invite “bored Aristocrats” to meet two such Democrats as Chamberlain and Mundella. So Albert Edward gave them for fellow-guests Henry Labouchere, the Proprietor and Editor of *Truth*, and Fred Greenwood the Editor of the *Pall Mall Gazette*. The two newspaper men being of the same trade do not seem to have agreed. “At least, after the dinner-party,” Labouchere announced in *Truth* that he had given up taking in the *Pall Mall Gazette* in favour of the *Globe*, and that the *Pall Mall Gazette* in his opinion,

instead of “fulfilling its boast of being written by gentlemen for gentlemen,” is written “by a prig for prigs!” With this dinner at the Prince of Wales's, Greenwood may be said to have culminated. His story is an instructive one as showing that a mere journalist, without birth, connections, or even shining parts, may rise in this free country to give advice (and advice that was taken) to a Government, in such a high matter of policy as the purchase of the Suez

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AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHERIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matchboxes, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, January 8, 1875.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Mails.



STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediter-
ranean Ports, Southampton
and London;

Also,
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and
Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship
LOMBARDY, Captain HALL, will leave
this on SATURDAY, the 5th May, at
Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. MIND, Superintendant.

Hongkong, April 24, 1877. my5

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF
PEKING will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY,
the 15th May, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking
Passengers, and Freight for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills
of Lading are issued for transportation to
Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San
Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and
South America, and to New York and
Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitten Bladt S. S. Com-
pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea
Ports, about same date, and make close
connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection
of various lines of Steamers to England,
France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m., 14th May. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland
Cargo are requested to endorse on the
Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages
Shipped, to correspond with those in their
Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

Hongkong, April 16, 1877. my15

**Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.**

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-
spatched for San Francisco via Yokohama
on FRIDAY, the 1st June,
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 31st inst. Parcel Packages
will be received at the Office until 5 p.m.
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per
cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877. jel

Intimations.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE
Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100
characters, and one cent a character
beyond the first 100 for first insertion, and
half price for repetitions during the first
week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will
be charged only one-half the amount of the
first week's charge. Advertisements for
half a year and longer will be allowed a
deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount,
and contracts for more favourable terms
can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish
Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all
the ports and in the interior of China, all
the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore,
Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the
Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru
and other places which Chinese frequent.

When the list of Agencies is completed,
it will be published. Agents have been
already established in most of the above
places, and in important ports more than
one agent has been appointed at each.

CHUN AYIN,

Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1874.

Intimations.

**AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,**
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;
and to
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS
OF RUSSIA,

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB,
HAS on hand the Largest and Best
collection of Views of China, Photo-
graphic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of
assorted sizes. Ex. S. S. Radnorshire a
supply of very handsome Easel Albums of
Russia and Velvet Covers, assorted sizes.
Illuminated Albums for Portraits, Tobacco
Pouches, in Shape of Skulls, Rats, &c., and
a nice choice of Gilt Mountings for
Frames, &c.

Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's
day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese
Mail will be issued DAILY instead of tri-
weekly as heretofore. No change, how-
ever, will be made in the price of subscrip-
tion, which will remain at \$4 per annum.

The charges for advertisements are now
assimilated to those of the Chinese Mail.
The unusual success which has attended the
Chinese Mail makes it an admirable
medium for advertisers.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual
circulation of one thousand copies. It is
already the most influential native journal
published, and enjoys considerable prestige
at the Ports of China and Japan, and at
Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco
and Australia.

For terms, &c., address
Mr CHUN AYIN,
Manager.

China Mail Office,
17th February, 1874.

Now Ready.

"THE CHINA REVIEW,"
No. 4, Vol. V.

Annual Subscription, Six Dollars and
a Half.

CONTENTS.

Essays on the Chinese Language, (Continued
from page 152.)
Dear-Staffing in China.
Chinese Dentistry.

Chinese Intercourse with the Countries of
Central and Western Asia during the
Fifteenth Century, Part II. (Continued
from page 182.)

A Legend of the Peking Bell-Tower.
A Chinese Hornbook.
The Law of Inheritance.
A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantonese
Short Notices of New Books and Literary
Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—
A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantonese
Dialect.
"Watching Spirits."
Chinese Folk-lore.
Yin and Yang, according to Aristotle.
Pledge English.
Goethe's "Werther" in China.
Chinese Music.
White Ants.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,
Hongkong, March 20, 1877.

**KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
COAL MERCHANTS,**

Have always on hand for Sale every
description of COAL at Moderate Prices.
Mr ANYON has been appointed Manager,
and all Orders addressed to him at 57,
Praya, or to Mr FAT JACK, at 30, Hing
Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-
tion.

Hongkong, March 19, 1877. mcl9

THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL.

THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has
been very much extended. The fol-
lowing are some of its Agents:—

Macao.—Man Chuen Shop.
Canton.—Sing Chuen Native Post Office,
Luen Hing Street; Chui Hing Low Hotel,
Luen Hing Street; Kwong Tin Fat Shop, Yan
Teat Street; Mr Sit Chuen Fan, Tung Wen
Kwan; Yuen Fong Shop, in front of the
Provincial Treasurer's Yamen; How Yuen
Shing, Small Market Street, New City; Yee
Cheung Photograph Shop, Honam; Kwai
Heung Shop, Sin Cheong, Honam.

Singapore.—Sui Cheong Hong; Woh Shun
Loong Hong.
Amoy.—Chun Cheong Hong, Mook Kik
Street.

Foochow.—Mr Yi Ching Cheong, Foo-
chow Arsenal; Mr Lum Kwok Ching, Mar-
time Customs.

Shanghai.—Mr Ng Ching Shun, Mar-
time Customs; Mr Ho Yau Chuen, Mar-
time Customs; Mr Chiu Sing Hui, Messrs
Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr Kwong
Chuen Fook, Educational Mission School;
and Mr Sing Sang Kee shop.

Ningpo.—Mr Sung Min Chee, Maritime
Customs.

Hankow.—Yee Hing Hong.
Chefoo.—Yee Shun Hong.

Japan.—Mr Leung Chun Tong, Mani-
pal Office, Yokohama.

Saigon.—Wohang Hong.
Singapore.—Ting Kee Hong; Kwong
Foot Sang Hong.

Penang.—Yow Wing Fong; Argus Office.
Calcutta.—Mow Sing Company.
San Francisco.—Kwong Fong Fat Hong.

The above are some of the Agencies;
others will be published, when they are
arranged for. Negotiations are in progress
with the express carriers who carry the
official despatches and Peking Gazette, to
circulate the Chinese Mail in the interior of
China.

Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

Intimations.

NEWS FOR HOME.

The Overland China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE
IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely
printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from
the Daily China Mail, is published
twice a month on the morning of the
English Mail's departure, and is a re-
cord of each fortnight's current history
of events in China and Japan, con-
tributed in original reports and collated
from the journals published at the various
ports in those Countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai,
Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete
Commercial Summary.

Subscription, 50 cents per Copy (postage
paid 50 cents.) \$12 per annum (postage
paid \$13.50.)

Orders should be sent to GEO. MURRAY
BAIN, China Mail Office, 2, Wyndham
Street, not later than the evening before the
departure of the English Mail Steamer.

Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily
China Mail.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM
TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has
This Day been Transferred to THE
MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, Old
Broad Street, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors,
WILLIAM HUNT,
Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street,
LONDON,
1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE Co.
20, Old Broad Street,
LONDON,
1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.
CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING.
RESERVE FUND, £340,000

WITH Reference to the foregoing Adver-
tisement THE MARINE INSURANCE
Co. has This Day taken over the
Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL
STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed
Mr A. MUIR as its AGENT in HONG-
KONG.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT J. LODGE,
Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept
Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the
Steamer.

A. MUIR,
Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of
London.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877. au17

WASHING BOOKS.
(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now
ready at this Office—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

PRICE \$6.

THE TREATY PORTS
OF
China and Japan.

A COMPLETE GUIDE TO THE OPEN PORTS OF
THOSE COUNTRIES, TOGETHER WITH PE-
KING, YEDO, HONGKONG AND MACAO.

FORMING A GUIDE BOOK & VADE ME-
CUM FOR TRAVELLERS, MERCHANTS,
AND RESIDENTS IN GENERAL.

8vo. pp. 618. With 29 MAPS and PLANS.
by
WM. F. MAYERS, N. B. DENNY, and
CHAS. KING.

COMPILED AND EDITED BY N. B.
DENNY, PH.D.

LONDON: N. TRUBNER & Co.
HONGKONG: China Mail Office.
Price, \$6, leather half bound.

The scope of this work includes detailed
descriptions of important Sites and Monu-
ments, notes on the CLIMATE and general
TOPOGRAPHY, FAUNA, FLORA, GEOLOGY
and METEOROLOGY of each Port and its
neighbourhood, with HISTORICAL NOTICES
and minute details respecting the rise and
progress and social characteristics of the
several foreign settlements. To these par-
ticulars are added summaries and statistics of
the TRADE of each open Port, compiled from
official returns, together with statements
respecting COINAGE, CURRENCY, and Ex-
CHANGES, LINES OF STEAM COMMUNICATION,
DISTANCES, and rates of PASSAGE MONEY.
Hints, and recommendations to travellers,
giving full particulars of CUSTOMS and mode
of proceeding to the less frequented settle-
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notes on DOMESTIC MARKETS and Mode
of Living.

In addition to furnishing similar particu-
lars, the Section devoted to Hongkong
contains an historical sketch forming a
chronological index of the chief events
which occupied public attention between
1841 and 1865, including POLITICAL EVENTS,
Changes in the GOVERNMENT SERVICE, the
passing of important ORDINANCES, the
ARRIVAL and DEPARTURE of BAILEY
RESIDENTS, a record of the most notable
PIRACIES, ROBBERIES, MURDERS, FEUDS,
FIRES and CRIMINAL TRIALS, ADDRESSES
and PRESENTATIONS, &c., &c.

The appendix contains full tables of the
various steam companies' lines. It also
includes a CATALOGUE of over 440 works
published in the English language upon
China and Japan, while a copious INDEX
at the end of the work affords a ready
means of reference to the readers.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, April 28, 1877.

At 1110 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

PAID.
Highest Lowest
Cash Cash

Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 450 400
" Ains, Sugar cured, 300 250
" Foochow, 180 140
Beef, shloin and prime cut, cy. 160 150
Beef Corned, catty 150 140
" Roast, 150 140
" Soup, 100 90
" Steak, 160 150
Bullocks' Brains, per set 60 50
" Tongue, fresh, each 275 250
" Corned, 320 300
" Head, 600 500
" Heart, 150 140
" Hump, Salt, 110 100
" Feet, 50 40
" Kidneys, 60 50
" Tail, 100 90
" Liver, catty 80 60
" Tripe (undressed), catty 50 40
Calves' Head and Feet, set 600 400
Hams, American, lb. 300 280
" Chinese, 180 170
" English, 380 340
Mutton Chop, 180 170
" Leg, 180 170
" Shoulder, 130 120
" Liver, 130 120
Pigs' Chittlings, catty 60 50
" Feet, 100 90
" Fry, 110 100
" Head, 90 80
" Heart, 60 50
" Kidneys, 80 70
" Liver, lb. 100 80
Pork, Chop, catty 150 140
" Corned, 130 120
" Leg, 150 140
" Fat or Lard, 110 100
Sheeps' Head, and Feet, set 240 220
" Heart, each 50 40
" Kidneys, 80 70
Sucking Pigs, 1750 1000
Veal, 140 120

Fowl.

Onions, catty 220 200
Ducks, catty 130 120
Eggs, Hen, doz. 100 —
" Duck, 100 —
" Salt, 120 —
Fowls, catty 180 160
Geese, 120 110
Partridges, each 350 300
Pheasants, Canton, live, pair \$2.00 —
Pigeons, each 160 150
Onion, 100 90
Rabbit, 800 600
Snipe, each 120 110
Teal, 350 250
Turkeys, Cock, catty 650 600
" Hen, 450 400
Wild Duck, each 450 400

Fish.

Bombay Ducks, new per hundred 350 300
Bream, catty 100 90
Carp, 80 70
Codfish, Salt, lb. 160 150
Crabs, catty 140 120
" Little Fish,